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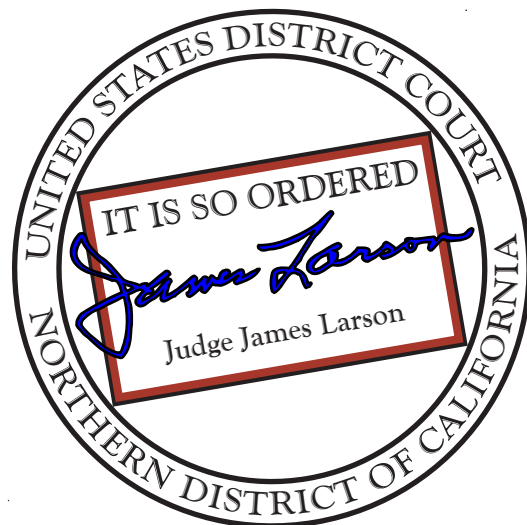
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Chief Magistrate Judge James Larson  
United States District Court for the  
Northern District of California  
450 Golden Gate Avenue  
Courtroom F, 15th Floor  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Estech Inc. v. Guidant Corp.  
U.S. District Court Case No. C 07-02676 JL



Dear Judge Larson:

Pursuant to the suggestion of your secretary, Venise Thomas, this letter formally requests that the Initial Case Management Conference in the above-referenced case, currently scheduled for September 5, 2007, be continued for sixty (60) days to **November 7, 2007**. This additional time would allow the parties to continue negotiations to resolve this matter. If the matter is not resolved, Estech Inc. will then serve Guidant Corp. with the Complaint. The additional time would allow Guidant Corp. to appear in the case in advance of the Initial Case Management Conference. We appreciate your consideration of this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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